

There are a lot of things to do this month.
Get involved with BEC and make a difference in your community!



Butte Environmental Council Protecting Butte County's Land, Air and Water Since 1975

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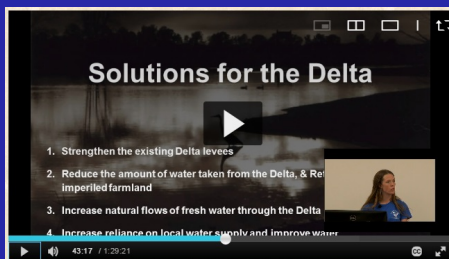
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Community Water Forum

Please join us on [February 8th](#). We will be revisiting "H2O Origins: Where our water comes from, and where it goes."

Recordings of the monthly community water forums are now [online](#)! Catch up on what you missed, and get ready for our next forum.

Come Block Party with BEC this February!

Join us! We need community volunteer to help clean our creeks! Let's give back to our community!

When: Saturday, February 11, 2017 @ 9:00 AM

Location: Little Chico Creek - Corner of Humboldt and Pine Street.

Coffee/tea will be provided by Beatniks Coffeehouse!

There will be Sandwiches from Beach Hut Deli at the end of the party!

Visit www.becnet.org/events or call (530) 891-6424 for more details.

--Participants must wear closed-toed shoes--

Made possible by: The City of Chico, Butte County Public Works, Waste Management, Beatniks Coffeehouse and Beach Hut Deli, and you!

Register at: <http://www.becnet.org/events/february-block-party-purpose>



and then....

A BEC EdVenture: Exploring Oak Woodlands

[Exploring Oak Woodlands](#) is a fun, outdoor, educational adventure through the 5-mile recreation area of Bidwell Park.

- Educational Hikes
- Professional Speakers
- Places to Explore
- Fun Games and More
- Hot lunch (with \$5 suggested donation)

Don't miss out!

Sunday, Feb 12 from 9am-2pm

Brought to you by Butte Environmental Council, a leader in environmental education and advocacy since 1975.

Space is limited so [register today!](#)

Open House Garden Festival

February 19th, 12pm-3pm
@ Humboldt Community Garden
On the Corner of
Humboldt Rd & El Monte Ave



Edible Pedal Healthy Food Demo



From the Ground Up
Expert Gardening
Advice



Grub Grown Plant Sale

*...And a
special
performance
by:*



There will be something for everyone at this family-friendly free event on February 19th! See what is growing on in your community and learn more about having a garden that provides fresh food for your family. Tour the garden plots and see if you would like one of your own!

We have plots available for rent in two sizes. Garden members have access to free workshops and other fun events held at our two community gardens.

Inquires can be made to: becgardens@becnet.org or (530) 891-2464



Environmental Coalition Community Gathering

Join us for a celebration of our community of local environmental leaders and groups.

Friday, March 24, 2017 - 5:00-8:00 PM

The Chico Women's Club

This event is just after CSU Chico's [This Way to Sustainability Conference](#). It is a chance to recognize our communities contributions to sustainable ideals, principles, and practices.

We will be learning about each organization's visions, goals and achievements. By sharing these ideals we hope to build and improve communication between the organizations to develop more viable strategies and alliances for a safer, healthier and more vibrant community. This event is co-hosted by our local friends and allies!

Share the LOVE, give BEC



Valentine's Day is just around the corner... What do you get the person who has everything or wants nothing?

[Share your love for Mother Earth and give the gift of a BEC membership for just \\$35!](#)

A membership with BEC ensures that the environment will have a voice in local matters. All members receive the BEC newsletter packed full of updates on each of our programs as well as a calendar of upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. Can't do \$35 just now? BEC offers a variety of ways

to donate as well as a pick-your-amount option. Just [visit our website](#) for more information!

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BEC Angel's Social

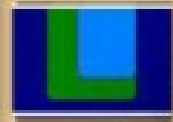
Once a year we hold an exclusive event for our [BEC Angel's](#) to show our appreciation for their monthly gifts that keep our mission moving forward and strengthen our voice in the community!



This year we celebrated our Angel's at The Printed Image! Angel's were treated to complimentary drinks and snacks from Santino's Catering. Angel's were even given a tour of the state of the art facility by owner, Scott Laursen! Scott's long history with BEC also inspired us to offer a special opportunity for Angel's to create their very own BEC buttons.

[Take this poll](#) and tell us which button you would want to wear.

* Which button would you make first?



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Now Accepting E-Waste for Recycling!

DID YOU KNOW?



**Chico U-Lock-It Self Storage
Accepts e-waste for
Recycling!**

**1909 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
Pkwy, Chico CA 95928**

MON-SAT: 9-5 / SUN: 11-4

What is e-waste?

E-waste is anything that you plug in that you want to throw out. GREENspot helps you recycle the following:

Televisions	Computers	Computer
Optical Drives	(CPU)	Monitors
Tape & Zip	Laptops	Comp Mice
Drives	Hard Drives	DVD Players
Fax Machines	Oscilloscopes	Keyboards
VCR/ BETA	Cables &	Printers
machines	Cords	Stereo
Radioes	Loose PCBA's	Components

**E-waste makes up only 2%
of the landfill volume, but
over 70% of the toxic
waste!**

RECYCLE!

Upcoming Community Events

Wed, Feb 8 - [Community Water Forum: H2O Origins](#)

6:00-7:30P.M. - Rm 111, New ARTS bldg, Chico State

Fri, Feb 10 - Oroville Botanic Garden & Educational Center Open House

12:00 - 7:00 P.M. - Farm Bureau, 2580 Feather River Blvd, Oroville, CA

Contact: Susan Sims 951.453.2651 or Kent Fowler 530.693.1267

Sat, Feb 11 - [BEC's Block Parties with a Purpose](#)

Sun, Feb 12 - [BEC EdVenture: Exploring Oak Woodlands](#)

9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. - Five Mile Recreation Area

Sun, Feb 19 - [Community Garden Open House Festival](#)

Sat, Mar 11 - BEC's Block Parties with a Purpose

Fri, Mar 24 - Environmental Coalition Community Gathering

5:00-8:00 P.M. - The Chico Women's Club

Sat, Apr 22 - Earth Day

This past month at the Angel's social Mark and I took the opportunity to share with our monthly donors about BEC and our plans for the coming years. I shared with our Angel's about attending last years social, just before I decided to apply to be the next Executive Director. Standing at the back of the room I remember feeling pride and gratitude for this piece of my community that is standing up for what they believe in, for what I believe in. That feeling has only grown in the past year. Today, I am proud to represent BEC as a voice for the environment, and am so deeply grateful to our community for holding BEC up, for strengthening BEC's voice, and for continuing to stand together.

With your help, we are going to fight for our community, and its values. We are going to cultivate a new generation of leaders. We are turning to our community for help. **Help us reach our goal of raising \$50,000** to support and guide emerging leaders through the Carrier's of the New Story Program and **put 150 new environmental leaders in to our community over the next 4 years!**

I know that together this community can make real and lasting change. **[If you are not already a BEC member, please join us.](#) Together our voice for the environment can not be silenced!**

Already a member? **[DONATE today, become an Angel](#)** or increase your support and help us fill our community with a passionate generation of environmental leaders.

Thank you,

Natalie Carter, Executive Director
Butte Environmental Council

STAY CONNECTED:

